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In re Application of: William E. Cohn et al.
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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR REDUCING
MITRAL REGURGITATION
Group Art Unit No.: 3738
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Attorney's Docket No.: VIA-17

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This paper is submitted in response to an Office
Action of 10/03/2003.

Claims 1-13 were acted upon and made subject to
restriction.

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Applicant elects specie V, illustrated in Fig. 11.
Claims readable thereon are believed to be claims 1-5 and
12.

Applicant respectfully requests examination of claims
1-5 and 12, and preserves the right to prosecute the
remaining claims by way of a continuation application.

Respectfully submitted,



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